

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of drawings replace Figs. 1 - 12-2 (8 pages). The replacement sheets reflect formal illustrations of the originally filed drawings of Figs. 1 - 12-2.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and continued examination of the above-identified application are respectfully requested. Applicant incorporates by reference herein the arguments set forth in the Amendment filed November 21, 2007. The arguments will not be repeated in order to avoid repetition.

Objection to Figures

At page 2 of the Office Action dated August 24, 2007, the Examiner objects to Figures 5-7, 8-1, 8-2, 9-1, 9-2, 10-1, 10-2, 11-1, 11-2, 12-1, and 12-2 for being of poor quality. This objection is respectfully traversed.

Submitted with this Supplemental Amendment are replacement drawings of Figs. 1 - 12-2. These replacement drawings are clear and accurately reflect the applicants' invention. No new matter is contained in these replacement drawings.

Accordingly, the Examiner's objection to the drawings should be withdrawn.


CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, the applicant respectfully requests the reconsideration of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0925. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such extension is requested and should also be charged to said Deposit Account.

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